

H.R. 4997. An act to extend for 2 years the authority to grant waivers of the foreign country residence requirement with respect to certain international medical graduates.

H.R. 5483. An act to increase the disability earning limitation under the Railroad Retirement Act and to index the amount of allowable earnings consistent with increases in the substantial gainful activity dollar amount under the Social Security Act.

H.R. 5946. An act to amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to authorize activities to promote improved monitoring and compliance for high seas fisheries, or fisheries governed by international fishery management agreements, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5948. An act to reauthorize the Belarus Democracy Act of 2004.

H.R. 6060. An act to authorize certain activities by the Department of State, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6164. An act to amend title IV of the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend the authorities of the National Institutes of Health, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6338. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to prevent and repress the misuse of the Red Crescent distinctive emblem and the Third Protocol (Red Crystal) distinctive emblem.

H.R. 6345. An act to make a conforming amendment to the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to examinations of certain insured depository institutions, and for other purposes.

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2005, the enrolled bills were signed on January 3, 2007, subsequent to the sine die adjournment, by the Acting President pro tempore (Mr. STEVENS).

MEASURE HELD AT THE DESK

The following measure was submitted and ordered held at the desk:

S. Res. 19. A resolution honoring President Gerald Rudolph Ford.

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bills were read the first time:

S. 1. A bill to provide greater transparency in the legislative process.

S. 2. A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage.

S. 5. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for human embryonic stem cell research.

S. 113. A bill to make appropriations for military construction and family housing projects for the Department of Defense for fiscal year 2007.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-1. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fluthiacet-methyl; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 8108-8) received on January 3, 2007; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Zeta-Cypermethrin; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 8093-6) received on January 3, 2007; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tuberculosis in Cattle and Bison; State and Zone Designations; Texas" (Docket No. APHIS-2006-0145) received on January 3, 2007; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Flucarbazone-sodium; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 8105-6) received on December 15, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Importation of Fruits and Vegetables" (Docket No. 03-086-3) received on December 15, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pesticide Tolerance Nomenclature Changes; Technical Amendment" (FRL No. 8064-3) received on December 15, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7. A communication from the Executive Director, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Financial Reporting Requirements for Introducing Brokers" (RIN3038-AC34) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fluroxypyr; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 8107-7) received on December 15, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions (Multiple Chemicals)" (FRL No. 8105-4) received on December 15, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-10. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Dimethomorph; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 8104-6) received on December 15, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-11. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled

"Boscalid; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 8107-8) received on December 15, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-12. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Azoxytobin; Pesticide Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions" (FRL No. 8100-9) received on December 15, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-13. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Glyphosate; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 8105-9) received on December 15, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-14. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Metconazole; Pesticide Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions" (FRL No. 8095-4) received on December 15, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-15. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Myclobutanil; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 8105-1) received on December 15, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-16. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral Justin D. McCarthy, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-17. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Department of the Army, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the number of Army National Guard and Reserve Soldiers adversely affected by the disparate treatment of Army Incentive Pay; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-18. A communication from the Commander, Army Claims Service, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Claims Against the United States" (RIN0702-AA54) received on December 15, 2006; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-19. A communication from the Commander, Army Claims Service, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Claims on Behalf of the United States" (RIN0702-AA55) received on December 15, 2006; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-20. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, five quarterly Selected Acquisition Reports for the quarter ending September 30, 2006; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-21. A communication from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Labor Reimbursement on Department of Defense Non-Commercial Time-and-Materials and Labor-Hour Contracts" (DFARS Case 2006-D030) received on December 15, 2006; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-22. A communication from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition

Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Levy on Payments to Contractors" (DFARS Case 2004-D033) received on December 15, 2006; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-23. A communication from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Contract Pricing and Cost Accounting Standards" (DFARS Case 2003-D014) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-24. A communication from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Contracting Officers' Representatives" (DFARS Case 2005-D022) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-25. A message from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Service Members' training and use of riot control agents; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-26. A communication from the General Counsel, National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Permissible Investments for Federal Credit Unions" (RIN3133-AD27) received on January 3, 2007; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-27. A communication from the Assistant to the Board, Division of Consumer and Community Affairs, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Home Mortgage Disclosure Act" (Docket No. 1275) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-28. A communication from the Director, Office of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Deposit Insurance Assessments—Designated Reserve Ratio" (RIN3064-AD02) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-29. A communication from the Director, Office of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Assessments" (RIN3064-AD03) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-30. A communication from the Director, Office of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Assessments" (RIN3064-AD09) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-31. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Division of Corporation Finance, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Internal Control Over Financial Reporting in Exchange Act Periodic Reports of Non-Accelerated Filers and Newly Public Companies" (RIN3235-AJ64) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-32. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Bureau of the Public Debt, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Sale and Issue of Marketable Book-Entry Treasury Bills, Notes, and Bonds—Customer Confirmation Reporting Requirement Threshold Amount" (Docket No. BPD-GSR5-06-02) received on December 15, 2006; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-33. A message from the President of the United States, transmitting, a report on the decision to take no action to suspend or prohibit the proposed merger between Alcatel and Lucent Technologies, Inc.; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-34. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to Mexico; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-35. A communication from the Acting General Deputy General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy in the position of General Counsel, received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-36. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2006; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-37. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13159 of June 21, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-38. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources of the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic; Trip Limit Reduction" (ID No. 091306A) received on December 15, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-39. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries Off West Coast States; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Specifications and Management Measures; End of the Pacific Whiting Primary Season for the Catcher/Processor Sector" (ID No. 110706A) received on December 21, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-40. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Fisheries; Temporary Rule; Inseason Retention Limit Adjustment" (ID No. 112006D) received on December 15, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-41. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Temporary Rule; Closure (Rhode Island Commercial Bluefish Fishery)" (ID No. 112006F-X) received on December 15, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-42. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Temporary Rule; Inseason Bluefish Quota Transfers from VA and ME to NC" (ID No. 112406A-X) received on December 15, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-43. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting,

pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Various Aircraft Equipped with Honeywell Primus II RNZ-850(-)-851() Integrated Navigation Units" (Docket No. 2003-NM-193) received on December 13, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-44. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reservation System for Unscheduled Operations at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport; Extension of Expiration Date" ((RIN2120-AI47)(Docket No. FAA-2005-19422)) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-45. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Additional Types of Child Restraint Systems That May Be Furnished and Used on Aircraft; Corrections" ((RIN2120-AI76)(Docket No. FAA-2006-25334)) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-46. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Air Tractor, Inc., Models AT-602, AT-802, and AT-802A Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-CE-22)) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-47. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 747-400, 777-200, and 777-300 Series Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2000-NM-360)) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-48. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Pratt and Whitney JT8D-1, -1A, -1B, -7, -7A, -7B, -9, -9A, -11, -15, -15A, -17, -17A, -17R, -17AR, -209, -217, -217A, -217C, and -219 Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AI47)(Docket No. FAA-2005-19422)) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-49. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Model A321 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-NM-119)) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-50. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 777-200 Series Airplanes Equipped with General Electric GE90-94B Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-NM-142)) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-51. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Turmo IV A and IV C Series Turbohaft Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-NE-31)) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-52. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Model A330-200, A340-200, and A340-300 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-NM-185)) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-53. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Aerospace Technologies of Australia Pty Ltd. Models N22B, N22S, and N24A Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2006-25928)) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-54. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Turbomeca Arriel 2B Series Turboshift Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2005-NE-52)) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-55. A communication from the Regulations Officer, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Worker Visibility" (RIN2125-AF11) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-56. A communication from the Paralegal, Federal Transit Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Controlled Substances and Alcohol Misuse Testing" (RIN2132-AA86) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-57. A communication from the Deputy Director, Office of Protected Resources, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Taking and Importing Marine Mammals; Taking Marine Mammals; Taking and Importing Marine Mammals; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to Conducting Precision Strike Weapons Testing and Training by Eglin Air Force Base in the Gulf of Mexico" ((RIN0648-AT39)(ID No. 022106A)) received on January 3, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-58. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Rule to Implement Amendment 68 to the Fishery Management Plan for Groundfish of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-AT71) received on December 21, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-59. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Rule to Implement Amendment 68 to the Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery Management Plan" (ID No. 060606A) received on December 21, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-60. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Rule for Seasonal Closure Provision for Regulatory Amendment to the Fishery Management Plan for the Reef Fish Resources of the Gulf of Mexico" (RIN0648-

AU04) received on December 21, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-61. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Greenland Turbot in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (ID No. 081605D) received on December 21, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-62. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Temporary Rule Extension of Emergency Action Re-activating the Atlantic Sea Scallop Fishery Management Plan's (Scallop FMP) Observer Set-aside Program and Implementing an Observer Service Provider Approval Process" (RIN0648-AU47) received on December 21, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-63. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Rule for Amendment 26 to the Gulf of Mexico Reef Fish Fishery Management Plan to Establish a Red Snapper Individual Fishing Quota Program" (RIN0648-AS67) received on December 21, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-64. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Operations, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Partial Approval of the George's Bank Cod Fixed Gear Sector Operations Plan and Allocation for 2006" (RIN0648-AU56) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-65. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries Off West Coast States; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Specifications and Management Measures; Inseason Adjustments" (ID No. 112106B) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-66. A communication from the Chairman, Office of Proceedings, Surface Transportation Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Major Issues in Rail Rate Cases" (STB Ex Parte No. 657) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-67. A communication from the Chairman, Office of Proceedings, Surface Transportation Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Public Participation in Class Exemption Proceedings" (STB Ex Parte No. 659) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-68. A communication from the Secretary of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's annual report on Ethanol market concentration; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-69. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the level of screening services and protection provided at San Francisco International Airport; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-70. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Procurement, Na-

tional Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "NASA FAR Supplement Administrative Changes" (RIN2700-31) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-71. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Coast Guard's compliance with the Edible Oil Regulatory Reform Act; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-72. A communication from the Chief of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zones (including 260 regulations)" (RIN1625-AA00) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-73. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the construction and operation of the Mixed Oxide Fuel Fabrication Facility; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-74. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Commission's response to the Competitive Sourcing Activities Report; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-75. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulations for Filing Applications for Permits to Site Interstate Electric Transmission Facilities" (RIN1902-AD16) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-76. A communication from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "North Dakota Regulatory Program" (SATS No. ND-049-FOR) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-77. A communication from the Attorney, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedures for Certain Consumer Products and Certain Commercial and Industrial Equipment; Technical Amendment to Energy Conservation Standards for Certain Consumer Products and Certain Commercial and Industrial Equipment" (RIN1904-AB53) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-78. A communication from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks: HI-STORM 100 Revision 3" (RIN3150-AH98) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-79. A communication from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Rule: List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks: NUHOMS HD Addition" (RIN3150-AH93) received on December 14, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-80. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting,

pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Update to Materials Incorporated by Reference" (FRL No. 8249-6) received on January 3, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-81. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to Tier 2 Vehicle Emission Standards and Gasoline Sulfur Requirements: Partial Exemption for U.S. Pacific Island Territories" ((RIN2060-AN66)(FRL No. 8263-4)) received on January 3, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-82. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; PM-10 Test Methods" (FRL No. 8264-8) received on January 3, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-83. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Revisions to the Nevada State Implementation Plan; Requests for Rescission" (FRL No. 8260-1) received on January 3, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-84. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Tennessee: Approval of Revisions to the Knox County Portion of the Tennessee State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 8265-6) received on January 3, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-85. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Tennessee: Approval of Revisions to the Knox County Portion of the Tennessee State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 8265-4) received on January 3, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-86. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Tennessee: Approval of Revisions to the Knox County Portion of the Tennessee State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 8265-8) received on January 3, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-87. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Source Categories From Oil and Natural Gas Production Facilities" ((RIN2060-AM16)(FRL No. 8264-1)) received on January 3, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-88. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting,

pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Shipbuilding and Ship Repair (Surface Coating) Operations" ((RIN2060-AO03)(FRL No. 8264-2)) received on January 3, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-89. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulation of Fuels and Fuel Additives: Extension of the Reformulated Gasoline Program to the East St. Louis, Illinois Ozone Nonattainment Area" (FRL No. 8261-9) received on January 3, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-90. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, Imperial County Air Pollution Control District and South Coast Air Quality Management District" (FRL No. 8258-8) received on January 3, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-91. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, Imperial County Air Pollution Control District" (FRL No. 8259-9) received on January 3, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-92. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Regulation for Public Water Systems Revisions" (FRL No. 8261-7) received on January 3, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. McCONNELL, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. LOTT, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. LEAHY, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. WEBB, Mr. LAUTENBERG, and Mr. MENENDEZ):

S. 1. A bill to provide greater transparency in the legislative process; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. BIDEN, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. WEBB, Mr. KERRY, Mr. REED, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. HARKIN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. OBAMA, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. KOHL, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. BAYH, and Mrs. LINCOLN):

S. 2. A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage; read the first time.

By Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. LEAHY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. CLINTON, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. KOHL, Ms. STABENOW, and Mr. WEBB):

By Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. WEBB, Mr. MENENDEZ, and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 3. A bill to amend part D of title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for fair prescription drug prices for Medicare beneficiaries; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. WEBB, Mr. MENENDEZ, and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 4. A bill to make the United States more secure by implementing unfinished recommendations of the 9/11 Commission to fight the war on terror more effectively, to improve homeland security, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. HATCH, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. SMITH, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. CLINTON, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. KOHL, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. WEBB, Mr. KERRY, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. DODD, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. REED, Mr. AKAKA, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. OBAMA, and Mr. INOUE):

S. 5. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for human embryonic stem cell research; read the first time.

By Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. LEAHY, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. WEBB, Mr. SALAZAR, and Mr. MENENDEZ):

S. 6. A bill to enhance the security of the United States by reducing the dependence of the United States on foreign and unsustainable energy sources and the risks of global warming, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. CLINTON, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. AKAKA, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEVIN, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. WEBB, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. REED, and Mr. DODD):

S. 7. A bill to amend title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and other laws and provisions and urge Congress to make college more affordable through increased Federal Pell Grants and providing more favorable student loans and other benefits, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. LEAHY, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. WEBB, Mr. MENENDEZ, and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 8. A bill to restore and enhance the capabilities of the Armed Forces, to enhance the readiness of the Armed Forces, to support the men and women of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. CANTWELL, and Ms. STABENOW):

S. 9. A bill to recognize the heritage of the United States as a nation of immigrants and to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for more effective border and employment enforcement, to prevent illegal immigration, and to reform and rationalize avenues for legal immigration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.